

A. Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 20, to read:

Layer 30 is an optional, substantially transparent layer of conductive material. Referring to FIG. 3, transparent conductive layer 30, when used, preferably is configured as transparent electrodes and electrical circuit traces 32. Transparent electrodes and traces 32 can be located anywhere on substrate ~~[[28]]~~ 20. For example, transparent electrodes and traces 32 can be located on decorated portions of substrate ~~[[18]]~~ 20, between substrate ~~[[18]]~~ 20 and the decoration, such that the decoration is viewable through transparent electrodes and traces 32. In applications using backlighting, transparent electrodes and traces 32 can be used in backlit portions to allow the backlighting to reach the user without occlusion as would be the case if electrodes and traces 32 were made of a conventional, opaque material. Referring to FIG. 1, it can be particularly desirable to use transparent electrodes and traces 32 to embody reconfigurable keys 16 or other keys located in the area corresponding to viewing window 14 so that the output of a display (not shown) mounted behind viewing window 14 is visible to the user.